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E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: PORG, UN  
SUBJECT: 33RD UNGA: CONSULTATIONS WITH GOP

REF: STATE 225331

1. EMBOFFS MET SEPTEMBER 13 WITH MFA CHIEF OF UN AFFAIRS ERNESTO GARRIDO AND WITH UNCTAD AFFAIRS CHIEF ALICE PALACIOS TO DISCUSS US POSITIONS AT UNGA AND TO ELICIT PHILIPPINE VIEWS THEREON. TALKING POINTS (REFTEL) HAD PREVIOUSLY BEEN PASSED THROUGH GARRIDO TO HEAD OF OFFICE OF UN AFFAIRS AND INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES, AMBASSADOR LEANDRO VERCELES, PRIOR TO LATTER'S DEPARTURE FOR NEW YORK. (GARRIDO DEPARTS FOR UNGA SEPTEMBER 30.)

2. MEETING CONSISTED OF POINT BY POINT REVIEW OF TALKING POINTS AND INTERCHANGE OF VIEWS ON EACH. ALTHOUGH GARRIDO AND PALACIOS WERE LARGELY NON-COMMITTAL, OR REFERRED TO PAST GOP POSITIONS ON ITEMS DISCUSSED, THE FOLLOWING PHIL VIEWS/POSITIONS WERE GLEANED:

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- A) PHILS WILL TAKE AN ACTIVE ROLE IN NIEO DEBATE AT UNGA. THEY CONSIDER NIEO THE MOST IMPORTANT ITEM ON THE AGENDA.
- B) THE SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION FOR NAMIBIA WILL BE A HOTLY CONTESTED POLITICAL ISSUE. GOP SUPPORTS THE NAMIBIAN SOLUTION; GARRIDO INDICATED PHILS WOULD SUPPORT

SENDING A PEACE-KEEPING FORCE AND FUNDING THEREOF.

- C) RE ZIONISM/RACISM LINKAGE, GARRIDO REMINDED US THAT IN THE PAST THE PHILS HAVE ABSTAINED, AND THAT ARAB PRESSURES ON THE GOP ON THIS ISSUE HAVE BEEN GREAT.

- D) THE PHILIPPINES WOULD PROBABLY SUPPORT THE PROPOSAL FOR AN ALL PARTIES CONFERENCE ON RHODESIA TO AVOID A WORSENING SITUATION.

- E) GARRIDO PROFESSED UNDERSTANDING THE US POSITION ON PUERTO RICO, BUT SAID HE DOUBTED THE EFFORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF 24 WOULD PROSPER.

- F) AGREEMENT WAS EXPRESSED WITH US POSITIONS ON BUDGET, MANAGEMENT, AND UN REFORM ISSUES.

- G) ON HUMAN RIGHTS, PHILS WERE ESPECIALLY INTERESTED IN US POSITIONS ON INSEPARABILITY OF DIFFERENT TYPES OF HUMAN RIGHTS, AND NOTED US POSITION ON STRONG SUPPORT FOR APPROPRIATE MEASURES TO STRENGTHEN ECONOMIC, SOCIAL AND CULTURAL RIGHTS IN ADDITION TO POLITICAL AND CIVIL RIGHTS.

- H) RE ANTI-TERRORISM, THE PHILS EXPRESSED SUPPORT FOR US POSITION ON BONN ANTI-HIJACKING DECLARATION AND WEST GERMAN DRAFT CONVENTION ON HOSTAGES.  
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- I) GARRIDO RAISED KOREA, STATING THAT HE DID NOT THINK MATTER WOULD COME UP IN SPITE OF KOREAN LANGUAGE IN BELGRADE NON-ALIGNED COMMUNIQUE.

3. COMMENT: AS IN PREVIOUS YEARS, PHILDEL, HEADED BY FONMIN ROMULO, WILL HAVE CONSIDERABLE FLEXIBILITY IN DETERMINING PHILIPPINE POSITIONS ON SPECIFIC UNGA ISSUES, WITHIN FRAMEWORK OF ESTABLISHED GOP POLICIES. (424 -8,5

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